

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The office action of July 28, 2004 has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested. Claims 1-5 and 7-10 and 14 remain pending in this application. Claims 6 and 15-26 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and new claims 27-45 have been added. Claims 1, 8 and 10 have been amended.

The specification has been amended to correct various minor informalities.

Claims 1 and 4-22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. patent no. 5,953,735 to Forcier '735. Claims 2-3 and 23-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Forcier '735. To the extent these rejections apply to the canceled claims they are deemed moot.

Claim 1 as amended calls for, among other features, displaying a connection line between the origin icon and a point on a margin of the electronic document at a position different from the second position. Forcier '735 including Figs. 7Q and 7S neither teach nor suggest a connection line between an origin icon and a point on the margin at a position *different from* the second position. For at least this reason, Forcier '735 does not teach or suggest all the elements of amended claim 1 and claims 2-5, 7-10 and 14, which ultimately depend from claim 1.

New claims 27-45 are fully supported by the specification and believed allowable over the art or record including Forcier '735. For example, the claim 28 combination of features including at least the steps of detecting a stylus proximate to the insertion point icon, responsive to the detecting, providing feedback indicating that the insertion point icon is selectable; and receiving a first stylus input selecting the insertion point icon are neither taught nor suggested by Forcier '735.

Also, the art of record is wholly devoid of a teaching or suggestion of a document editing method as recited in claim 37 including receiving user input identification of a first location on a first line in an electronic document, receiving user input identification of a second location in the middle of a second line in the electronic document, the second line being different from the first line; and inserting or deleting space in the electronic document from the first location to the second location (in the middle of the second line). Moreover, the art including Forcier '735 does

not provide a teaching of the claim 40 combination of features including displaying a moving icon at the second position *within a margin*, and displaying a margin dynamic connector connecting the origin icon *to a point on the margin* corresponding to a text line associated with the second position.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that no fee is required for this submission. If any fees are required or if an overpayment is made, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733, accordingly.

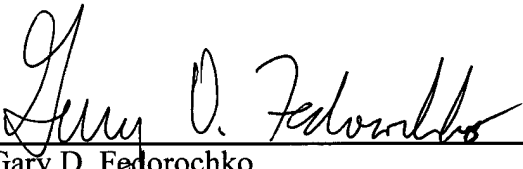
All rejections having been addressed, applicants respectfully submit that the instant application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicit prompt notification of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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